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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT : Approval of Extension of Project CORONA

Herewith is a note, the purpose of which is to record certain decisions made some weeks ago and previously reported to you on the extension of CORONA. You will remember that following a meeting Mr. Horner and I had with you and subsequent discussion with Dr. Killian and Mr. Glennan, a paper recommending the extension was handed to General Goodpaster. Some days later he advised me that a favorable decision had been made which was reported to you and others in the Department of Defense. It was not until several weeks after the basic decision, however, that I received guidance from the same source on the handling of security and cover for the extended operations (as reported in the attachment). I understand there has been some uncertainty on this aspect of the matter and in any case it seems desirable to have a written record of the decisions. I am also attaching herewith in case you should wish to refer to it, the memorandum which was given to General Goodpaster and on the basis of which the decisions in question were made.

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2 Attachments:

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